

Agency 17 - Department Of Aeronautics

Statutory Authority:

Established in 1935, the Department of Aeronautics operates in accordance with R.R.S. Nebraska 3-101 et.seq., which outlines the responsibilities and requirements of the agency. The Nebraska Aeronautics Commission is defined by 3-104 and in brief is responsible to allocate and approve state and federal funding for airport projects, authorize aircraft purchases for the State, and select and approve pilots for the State. The remainder of R.R.S. Nebraska Chapter 3 governs aeronautics in the state for airports, zoning and structures.

The Department is also directly or indirectly concerned with Ch.18 Art.15; Ch. 25 Art.25; Ch. 72 Art.12 & 13; Ch. 75 Art.7; Ch. 76 Art.7; and Ch. 77 Art.12.

Vision Statement:

The vision of the Nebraska Department of Aeronautics is to continue:

1. For community and state leaders to understand air transportation, how it functions from a regulatory and economic standpoint, how it fits with our State's economic viability, and what role these leaders should take in regard to aviation.
2. Carry out the Nebraska Aviation System Plan for a sustainable aviation system that enhances our State's economy and the quality of life in Nebraska.
3. Instill and implement the theme of lower taxes, less government, building Nebraska's economy, and protecting Nebraska's families into the Department's daily approach to service delivery.

Mission Statement:

The mission of the Department of Aeronautics is to:

"Encourage and Facilitate the Development and Use of Aviation in Nebraska."

Goals:

The Department of Aeronautics' goals are:

1. to actively promote and encourage scheduled airline passenger service, business and medical use of aviation, and cargo use of aviation throughout Nebraska;
2. to improve airport safety;
3. to maintain a system of navigational aids sufficient to supplement the federal system;
4. to assist eligible public-use airports to preserve airport surfaces through preventive maintenance;
5. to promulgate Aviation Education Programs at all levels of the state educational system;
6. to continue and enhance the Department's reports regarding aviation in Nebraska;
7. to promote the use of state aircraft through comparison study with other modes of transportation to determine the most effective means of transportation;
8. to provide guidance and seek input from groups and citizens to direct the planning, flight operations, navigational aids, engineering and educational efforts of the Department;
9. to stay apprized of the issues and direction of aviation on a national, state, and local level and facilitate changes at the state and local level which ensure Nebraskans the most cost-effective services provided by aviation.

Financial Data:

	Actual FY02	Approp FY03	Request FY04	Recom FY04	Request FY05	Recom FY05
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	27,067,731	27,539,592	27,048,975	27,077,212	20,969,454	21,041,561
Federal Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Agency	27,067,731	27,539,592	27,048,975	27,077,212	20,969,454	21,041,561

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Program 026 - Development And Enforcement

Program Objectives:

Support and coordinate the primary Department programs of airport development, aviation facility maintenance, and flight services. In addition the program provides fiscal control; administers and enforces the laws and regulations relating to aeronautics; supports the activities of the Nebraska Aeronautics Commission and promotes aeronautics within the State.

Promotion/Aviation Education includes: Aviation Education Programs such as aviation user group seminars and student education; publish aeronautical charts and airport directories; publish a monthly newsletter, PIREPS; and publish a quarterly and annual report of Aviation in Nebraska.

Includes state support of the Nebraska Wing of the Civil Air Patrol. The CAP primarily functions to assist in search and rescue and disaster relief.

Financial Data:

	Actual FY02	Approp FY03	Request FY04	Recom FY04	Request FY05	Recom FY05
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	603,570	732,219	658,691	664,463	703,445	720,562
Federal Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	603,570	732,219	658,691	664,463	703,445	720,562

Performance Measures:

Fiscal Year	Actual 99/00	Actual 00/01	Actual 01/02	Est. 02/03	Est. 03/04	Est. 04/05
Aeronautics Commission						
Commission meetings (total)	10	8	7	7	7	7
Non-Lincoln Commission meetings	3	3	2	2	2	2
Publications						
Copies of the Aeronautical Chart	8,500		8,100		8,100	
Copies of the Airport Directory	4,000		4,000		4,000	
Copies of newsletter "PIREPS"	40,000	42,700	42,400	42,400	42,400	42,400
Facilities						
Public-use airports licensed	92	91	91	90	90	90
Restricted landing areas for personal use	180	176	170	170	170	170
Aviation Education Attendance/Participants						
Aircraft maintenance seminar	200	200	200	200	200	200
ACE Academy	25	25	0	20	20	20
Aviation Art Contest	600	500	450	500	500	500
Aviation Symposium	110	110	110	110	110	110

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Program 301 - Public Airports

Program Objectives:

Develop public-use airports so as to provide a complete system of airports throughout the State. Assist airport sponsors in obtaining Federal funds and administering State funds for public-use airport development. Provide cost-effective pavement maintenance to airports, including grants for pavement treatment and reduced-cost crack filling and marking. Provide the aviation industry with a complete system of aeronautical navigational aids in Nebraska by supplementing those aids provided by the Federal Aviation Administration and National Weather Service. Operate the three active State airfields which were deeded to the Department as World War II surplus property and the land at the Bruning Airfield.

Financial Data:

	Actual FY02	Approp FY03	Request FY04	Recom FY04	Request FY05	Recom FY05
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	25,816,911	26,138,834	25,738,113	25,771,633	19,607,627	19,666,010
Federal Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	25,816,911	26,138,834	25,738,113	25,771,633	19,607,627	19,666,010

Performance Measures:

Fiscal Year	Actual 99/00	Actual 00/01	Actual 01/02	Est. 02/03	Est. 03/04	Est. 04/05
VOR's & DME's operated	10	11	12	12	12	12
NDB's operated	35	35	35	35	34	34
AWOS's operated	9	10	11	11	12	13
Airports that meet the State's safety standards (%)	87	89	89	90	91	92
Tower construction notices reviewed	303	487	419	400	450	500
Federal grants received (\$ in millions)	12.1	31.6	16.8	28.0	21.0	16.0
Airports meeting minimum standards for:						
Main runway pavement (%)	62	59	63	70	70	73
Runway lighting (%)	73	67	69	71	73	75
Average pavement condition index (PCI)	84	84	84	85	85	85
Pavement meeting minimum PCI	91	90	91	91	92	93

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Program Objectives:

Provide aircraft and personnel to operate the State aircraft pool. Through the aircraft pool, air transportation is provided to this Department's other programs and on a reimbursable basis to all other State agencies. Pilots, supervisory personnel, and clerical staff supervise, schedule, and operate all state-owned aircraft assigned to the aircraft pool and such other aircraft as are used by the State on a temporary basis.

Financial Data:

	Actual FY02	Approp FY03	Request FY04	Recom FY04	Request FY05	Recom FY05
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	647,250	668,539	652,171	641,116	658,382	654,989
Federal Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	647,250	668,539	652,171	641,116	658,382	654,989

Performance Measures:

Fiscal Year	Actual 99/00	Actual 00/01	Actual 01/02	Est. 02/03	Est. 03/04	Est. 04/05
Cost per Mile						
Navajo 63740 (piston)	\$1.76	2.07	2.26	2.10	2.10	2.10
Navajo 4102Z (piston)	\$1.83	2.59	2.65	2.10	2.10	2.10
Cheyenne 774KV (turbine)	\$2.28	2.68	3.11	2.40	2.40	2.40
Charges per Mile						
Navajo 63740	\$1.70	1.85	1.85	2.10	2.10	2.10
Navajo 4102Z	\$1.70	1.85	1.85	2.10	2.10	2.10
Cheyenne 774KV	\$2.15	2.30	2.30	2.40	2.40	2.40
Pilot Charges per Hour	\$25.00	31.50	31.50	33.50	33.50	33.50
Total Hours Flown	1249	913	853	1000	1000	1000